(b) The 25th Joint Meeting of USC was held as scheduled in Tokyo.

(c) The Indian delegation for the 25th Joint Meeting was led by Shri Vasant Sathe, former Union Minister and Chairman of India Study Com mittee.

Scaling down the target of power generation

5194. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH;
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN;

Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to scale down the Eighth Plan target of achieving 48,000 MW power capacity to 30,000 MW;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) how will it affect the planned targets for industrial and agricultural production in the country;

(d) whether capacity addition through investment by foreign com panies in the power sector, is not going to take place during the Eighth Plan period; and

(e) if so, what are the facts in this regard, and reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GAMANG): (a) Ths target for capacity addition in power sector for Eighth Five Year Plan was fixed at 30538 MW.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

(d) and (e) The Eighth Plan tar get of 30538 MW included capacity addition of 2810 MW in private sector. No capacity addition through invest ment by foreign companies in the Power Sector envisaged at the time the Eighth Plan was finalised.

(The Deputy Chairman in the chair)

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

I. Report and Accounts (1993-94) of the Hindustan Vegetable Oils Corporation Limited, New Delhi and related papers

II. Notifications of the Bureau of Indian Standards

III. Notification of the Ministry of Civil Supplies, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution

IV. Report and Accounts (1993-94) of the National Co-operative Consumers' Federation of India Limited, New Delhi and related papers.

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THE MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI BUTA SINGH): Madam, I lay on th<3 Table—

I. (1) A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers, under sub-section (1) of section 619A of the Companies Act 1956: —

(i) Tenth Annual Report and Accounts of the Hindustan Vegetable Oils Corporation Limited, New Delhi, for the year 1993-94, together with the Auditors Report on the Accounts and the comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India thereon.

(ii) Review by Government on the working of the above Corporation.

[Placed in Library. See No. LT-7411/95]

(2) Statement (in English and Hindi) giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (1) above.